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## REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to a first office action dated May 20, 2008.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hikita et al (5250766). The Examiner objected to claims 2 and 3 stating they would be allowable if rewritten to overcome rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2<sup>nd</sup>, set forth in the Office Action and to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 2. Claims 3 and 4 depend from presently amended claim 1.

Applicant notes, no rejections under 35 USC 112, 2<sup>nd</sup> were set forth. The present RECEIVED set of claims complies with 35 U.S.C. 112 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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## **CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that the subject application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel a phone interview would be helpful in processing the subject application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned.

Please charge any fee for this statement to Deposit Account No. 15-0750, Order No. OT-5177.

Respectfully submitted,

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